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For: DNA ENCODING A HUMAN SEROTONIN (5-HT₂) RECEPTOR
AND USES THEREOF

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 1, line 4, please insert the following paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/145,864, filed September 2, 1998, now allowed, a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 08/613,044, filed March 8, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,885,785, issued March 23, 1999, a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 08/347,591, filed November 30, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,661,024, issued August 26, 1997, a continuation of Serial No. 08/232,325, filed April 25, 1994, now abandoned, a continuation of Serial No. 07/999,661, filed December 29, 1992, now abandoned, a continuation of 07/635,402, filed December 31, 1990, now abandoned, a continuation of Serial No. 07/429,832, filed October 31, 1989, now abandoned, the contents of which are

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hereby incorporated by reference into the subject application.--

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 4-43, 46, and 49-51 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a future continuation or divisional application.

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 51 were pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, applicants have canceled claims 4-43, 46, and 49-51 without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1, 2, 3, 44, 45, 47 and 48 will be pending and under examination.

Information Disclosure Statement

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following references which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (**EXHIBIT 1**). The following references were previously cited in connection with the prosecution of U.S. Serial Number 09/145,864 from which the subject application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120. According to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of patents or publications that were previously cited by, or submitted to, the Office in connection with such prior applications need not accompany the Information Disclosure Statement. Accordingly, copies of the following references are not attached to this Information Disclosure Statement:

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If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$710.00 fee for filing the subject application, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment and Information Disclosure Statement. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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